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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have decided to develop seven most populated cities as eco-cities including Bangalore and Hyderabad;

(b) if so, whether the State Governments have been asked to draw up environmental management plans for these cities;

(c) if so, whether the concerned State Governments have submitted the said plans;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the total expenditure likely to be incurred by the Union Government as well as the concerned State Government on these cities to make them eco-friendly?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e) The Government has initiated eco-city scheme during 10th Plan with an objective to improve and conserve the environment in small and medium towns of the country. In the first phase, some cities have been identified which do not include Bangalore and Hyderabad. The concerned State Governments have been involved in preparation of detailed project reports. A provision of Rupees. 30.00 crores has been made in the Tenth Plan for the eco-city scheme.